The IFSC Lead World Cup Series 2015 stopped in Imst, Austria on July 31 – August 1. Once again, the spectacular sheltered outdoor climbing structure saw some amazing action, and the competition was crowned by the victories of Mina Markovic (SLO) and Romain Desgranges (FRA).

It was the 12th time that an IFSC Climbing World Cup took place in Imst, and the venue lived up to its promise of long and tricky routes that pushed the athletes to their limits.

No tops on tough final routes

The route setters gave our athletes a true challenge this Saturday: long, difficult routes with little rest and many awkward passages. None of the competitors were able to top the tough final routes, making the competition all the more suspenseful!

The women’s final was crowned by another long and impressive run from Slovenian legend Mina Markovic. Even if Mina ran out of time, she managed to climb higher than all the other athletes. From Slovenia too, 16-year-old Janja Gambret took silver for her second participation ever in an adult IFSC World Cup. Supported by her home crowd, Jessica Pilz (AUT) took bronze for her third podium spot in as many IFSC World Cups this season.

On the men’s side, the final route was very difficult as well, but Romain Desgranges (FRA) found the way and the strength to win his first gold medal in an IFSC World Cup with a strong score of 57+. Very close to him, local favourite Jakob Schubert (AUT) took silver with 57, and Domen Skofic of Slovenia claimed bronze with 51+.

New 2015 Provisional Rankings

This new podium slightly changed the men’s 2015 Provisional Ranking. After 3 over 7 IFSC Lead World Cups this season, Gautier Supper (FRA) keeps the lead and Romain Desgranges jumps to 2nd place, ahead of Jakob Schubert and Adam Ondra (CZE).

In the women’s 2015 Provisional Ranking, Mina Markovic comforted her 1st place and Jessica Pilz her 2nd place in Imst. Even if Jain Kim (KOR) missed out on the final, she is still in 3rd place, ahead of Anak Verhoeven (BEL).

Next stop: Munich (GER)

Nearly two months after the last IFSC Bouldering World Cup in Haiyang (CHN), the IFSC Bouldering World Cup Series 2015 will wrap up in Munich (GER) on August 14-15. The venue is well known for its phenomenal atmosphere, and the Bouldering season’s grand finale is shaping up to be both festive and full of fearsome competition!

For more information on the event and access to the live streaming of the semi-finals and finals, join us:

http://www.ifsc-climbing.org
RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP IMST 2015 - LEAD

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NEWS EDIT FOR TV CHANNELS

A news edit and a dope sheet will be available for TVs shortly after the end of the Finals. You will be able to download them here: ftp://ftp.ifsc-climbing.org/ - login: media - password: media15

REPLAYS

Lead Semi-finals: https://youtu.be/3ZeKVmDhnjU
Lead Finals: https://youtu.be/oMBA5JE6vOo

PHOTOS

A selection of photos from Imst can be found Monday morning on our Flickr page here: https://www.flickr.com/photos/123572206@N08/sets/with/72157644623968172
WHAT’S NEXT?
IFSC Climbing World Cup (B) - Munich (GER), 14-15 August 2015

Provisional program (GMT-2)

Friday, August 14th
10:00 - 14:30 Male Qualification
16:30 - 19:00 Female Qualification

Saturday, August 15th
11:30 - 14:00 Male & Female Semi-Finals (live broadcasting)
18:30 - 21:30 Male & Female Finals (live broadcasting)
21:30 Award Ceremony (live broadcasting)
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